

State of California
Department of Parks and Recreation

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: Office of Planning and Research
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FROM: Department of Parks and Recreation
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PROJECT TITLE: Morgan Creek Road/Finley Road Connector Trail

LOCATION: Mount Diablo State Park

COUNTY: Contra Costa

DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT:

Install a hand-built trail along the general road corridor of an unmaintained road that connects Morgan Creek Road and Finley Road at Mount Diablo State Park. The current unmaintained road, which is 3014 feet long, will be converted to trail along its general alignment. In some locations, the new alignment will deviate from the road alignment to correct excessive grades. This connector trail is necessary to gain public access into a relatively new acquisition on Mount Diablo. There are no potential historical resources in the project area.

PUBLIC AGENCY APPROVING THE PROJECT: California Department of Parks and Recreation

NAME OF DIVISION OR DISTRICT CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT: Diablo Vista District

EXEMPT STATUS:

- ☐ Declared Emergency (Section 15269(a))
☐ Emergency Project (Section 15269(b) and (c))
☐ Statutory Exemption (Section:)
☒ Categorical Exemption

Class: 1, 4 Section: 15301, 15304

REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT:

Project consists of the repair and minor alteration of existing public facilities and topographical features, involving negligible or no expansion of use beyond current levels, included as "trail or road repairs" in the Department of Parks and Recreation's list of exempt activities, in accordance with CCR § 15300.4; and minor alterations in the condition of land, and/or vegetation that will not involve removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees included as "trail construction or realignment" in the Department of Parks and Recreation's list of exempt activities, in accordance with CCR § 15300.4

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